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MEDIA REMINDER HEARING ON PSC STAFF STORM REPORT

JEFFERSON CITY---The Missouri Public Service Commission will hold an on-the-record presentation on **December 27, 2006**, for parties in the case to discuss the recommendations, responses and /or alternatives to a PSC Staff report on the storm preparation and restoration efforts of AmerenUE and other regulated utilities to severe storms that hit eastern Missouri on July 19 and July 21.

The on-the-record presentation will begin at 9:00 a.m. in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, in Jefferson City. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Anyone needing additional accommodations to participate in the on-the-record should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the on-the-record.

In its report filed on November 17, 2006, the PSC Staff made a number of recommendations including that AmerenUE should enhance its tree-trimming programs to provide for greater removal of large limbs and trees near its power lines. Staff also recommended the Commission adopt rules regarding tree-trimming, infrastructure maintenance and inspection and system reliability.

Severe thunderstorms hit St. Louis and eastern Missouri on July 19, 2006 and again on July 21, 2006. Hundreds of thousands of customers lost electric service due to those storms which carried very high winds.

The report can be viewed on the Public Service Commission website:

www.psc.mo.gov